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SUBJECT: Trip Report - July 27-August 8, 1975  
Seoul, Pusan, Korea and East West Population Institute

The purpose of the trip was to evaluate the preparation phase of the Contraceptive Distribution project carried out by East West Population Institute and Dong-A University in Eiuryong Gun, South Korea and to review EWPI plans for the coming year.

The following conclusions were reached:

## Preparation Phase (May 1 to October 1)

1. Preliminary data from the preparation phase sites indicate that coverage of eligible women more than doubled in the one month of program activity. Tables are appended.
2. Informal conversations with village leaders, health officials and project staff indicate enthusiastic acceptance of pill/condom kits by almost all of the women aged 15-49 who were living with their husbands and were not already contracepting or trying to become pregnant. Only about one half of the women who did not wish additional children were contracepting prior to household distribution of pills and condoms. Now, nearly all of these have received pill/condom kits.
3. A follow-up survey of the preparation site is being carried out in September to verify actual usage of contraceptives distributed.
4. Twenty-one re-supply depots have been set up in the preparation area to ensure adequate servicing of the population. Bus transportation is provided free of charge for those wishing IUD or sterilization services in the town nearby.
5. By October 1 we should have accurate data on the change of contraceptive usage that has occurred as a result of the project as well as cost data to determine the feasibility of expansion. After reviewing this data, a decision will be made to either discontinue or expand the project.

## Project Expansion (October 1, 1975 to October 1, 1978)

### - Baseline Data

1. East West Population Institute Director Cho and associates Park and Palmore are working with the ROK Bureau of Statistics to design a sub-



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sample of the October 1, 1975 Korean Census for Cheju Province and a control area near the Preparation phase villages for the purpose of providing baseline data on the populations prior to installation of the delivery system.

2. This sample will cover about 270 enumeration districts (ED) on Cheju Island (population 400,000) and about 80 enumeration districts in the control area. The Korean Bureau of Statistics will increase the 5% census to 25% in these areas to ensure a large enough sample to measure incremental changes in fertility over the next three years of project operation.

3. A formal proposal for the Cheju phase of the project is under preparation at this time. Problems to be anticipated involve ROK interest in charging the household for the initial supply of pills and for resupply as well as ROK Ministry of Health emphasis upon IUD and sterilization services. Since USAID has recently rejected ROK requests for AID purchased oral contraceptives, we may have to make special provisions for any orals used as part of the Cheju experiment.

#### East West Population Institute

1. EWPI has agreed to scale down their requests for AID grant assistance in FY 76 to the 600 thousand level or lower and to generate specific project proposals for possible contract funding. This would permit greater concordance with PHA/POP priorities.

2. A conference jointly sponsored with the University of Kyoto is scheduled in Japan early in December to treat aspects of the fertility transition in Asia. PHA/POP should be represented so that discussions of the determinants of fertility trends include an in depth examination of family planning programs.

3. Staff at EWPI is at present absorbed in many activities which are neither AID funded nor LDC oriented. Additional core support funds will be sought from NICHD through a proposal which is being prepared for FY 77 submission. Current EWPI priority projects include studies of premarital coitus at the University of Hawaii, historical demography of the United States and Japan, and evaluation of family planning services in the State of Hawaii.

4. Andrew Mason, (Ph.D. University of Michigan, 1975), an economist has been hired to expand the multi-disciplinary character of the Institute. He has had no prior overseas experience but is highly recommended by Locke Anderson and others for his work on models of household size, saving and income. The question is whether EWPI focus on economic benefits of family planning will be strong enough to incorporate his interests.

5. One always is impressed by the wide diffusion of research interests

at EWPI. AID should move toward contract funding of specific projects developed jointly with EWPI as in the case of the Korean household distribution studies.

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Table 9. All Women Currently Married Living  
With Spouse Cross-Classified by Age and Parity

(A. Either Practicing or Not Practicing Family Planning)

All Myeon

Age	Parity of Women Currently Married and Living with Spouse				
	0	1-2	3-4	5+	All Parity
15-19	3	1	0	0	4
20-24	49	50	1	0	100
25	38	178	76	6	298
30	5	43	207	96	351
35	10	27	183	300	520
40	8	29	119	469	625
45	9	31	71	429	540
50-52	0	10	16	145	169
15-49	122	359*	657	1300	2438*
15-52	122	369*	673	1445	2607*

\*excluded 1 person whose age unknown

(B. Practicing Family Planning at the Time of Interview)

Age	Parity of Women Currently Married and Living with Spouse				
	0	1-2	3-4	5+	All Parity
15-19	0	0	0	0	0
20	1	2	0	0	3
25	0	12	15	2	29
30	0	11	75	28	114
35	2	4	89	163	258
40	3	1	44	212	260
45	0	0	10	91	101
50-52	0	0	0	6	6
15-49	6	30	233	496	765
15-52	6	30	233	502	771

(C. Not Practicing Family Planning)

Age	Parity of Women Currently Married and Living with Spouse				
	0	1-2	3-4	5+	All Parity
15-19	3	1	0	0	4
20	48	48	1	0	97
25	38	166	61	4	269
30	5	32	132	68	237
35	8	23	94	137	262
40	5	28	75	257	365
45	9	31	61	338	439
50-52	0	10	18	139	163
UK	0	1	0	0	1
15-49	116	329	424	804	1674
15-52	116	339	440	943	1837

Table S- 7. Acceptors at Time of Canvass (as of July 19, 1975)  
Among Women Who are Not Practicing Family Planning  
at Time of Interview by Age and Parity

Myeon and Age	# of Eligible Women Not Pra- cticing Family Planning at Time of Inter- view	Acceptors of Contraceptive Methods at Time of Canvass (July 19, 1975)							
		# of Kit Acceptors by Parity				# of IUD Acceptors by Parity			
		0	1-2	3-4	5+	0	1-2	3-4	5+
JK	167	1	21	52	78	0	0	5	6
15-19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20-24	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
25-29	23	1	13	4	1	0	0	1	0
30-34	41	0	5	26	11	0	0	2	1
35-39	48	0	1	12	31	0	0	2	2
40-44	25	0	0	4	25	0	0	0	3
45-49	24	0	0	6	10	0	0	0	0
50-52	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
UK	190	2	27	54	79	0	0	3	9
15-19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20-24	13	1	7	0	0	0	0	0	0
25-29	25	1	17	14	0	0	0	2	0
30-34	38	0	0	19	11	0	0	0	1
35-39	47	0	2	12	23	0	0	1	4
40-44	50	0	1	8	36	0	0	0	3
45-49	16	0	0	1	9	0	0	0	1
50-52	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
KU	176	0	11	44	91	0	1	3	10
15-19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20-24	4	0	3	0	0	0	1	1	0
25-29	21	0	5	7	0	0	0	0	0
30-34	36	0	2	13	11	0	0	2	4
35-39	49	0	0	18	27	0	0	0	3
40-44	43	0	1	5	37	0	0	0	2
45-49	18	0	0	1	13	0	0	0	1
50-52	5	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0